

**ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE**

5 A distinct dealing shoe having no shuffling functionality receives shuffled,  
randomized or ordered group of cards. The cards may be mechanically moved one at a  
time from a receiving area for the deck to a buffer area where more than one card is  
temporarily stored. The cards in the buffer area are then mechanically moved to a card  
delivery area where the cards may be manually removed, one-at-a-time, by a dealer. The  
cards are read one-at-a-time inside of the dealing shoe, either before the buffer area or  
after leaving the buffer area, but preferably before the cards are being manually removed  
10 from the card delivery area. The information from the card reading may be used for  
game tracking, hand tracking, player information, and other security issues at casino table  
card games.

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